

Threads that Bind

Sewing must be a priority! No more excuses! The crisp fall weather and soon-to-be winter must keep me inside to start and finish many sewing projects.

The mini-workshop demonstrations gave all of us new and quick ideas for the holidays. A special thank-you to all that showed us the projects. Now on to the No-Bus Bus Trip Shopping to buy supplies to make all of them.



The year is coming to a close, but remember the Sewing Retreat on January 4th and 5th at the Extension Center. Start the new year off with new and challenging projects!

Several of our members attended the Sewing Expo in Kansas City in October. We want to hear from all of you and hope you can share ideas with the membership. I attended several sessions and hope to remember ideas that can save me time in my sewing. There are always new patterns that I have to buy.

The independent pattern companies have such a wide variety of selections.

The Wichita ASG Chapter has a new slate of CAB Members for the coming year. Please help them with volunteering your special talent.

Thank you for the opportunity of serving as the president of the group. I have learned so much from all of you gifted members.

Happy Holidays and Keep Sewing!
Becky Wondra



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Address Changes

If your address, phone number or email changes, please report the changes to **both** the local membership chair and to the National office (you can use the website at asg.org.)

Election Results — Officers for 2008

The election is completed and the results are in! Please welcome our new officers for 2008.

- President: Betty Brees
 - First Vice-President (and Newsletter): Julia Langel
 - Second Vice-President (and Neighborhood Group Liaison): Theresa Corle
 - Secretary: Pat Hernandez
 - Treasurer: Aurelia Lobban-Beck
- Thank you to everyone who voted!

New and Renewing Members

Welcome new members: Hayley Williamson, Sue Carpenter, Rosina Smith, Carol Graham and Mary Jane Kitchen!

And welcome back to renewing members: Teresa Wells, Jan Adams, Mary Bond, Phyllis Clem, Pam Fulton, Pat Hernandez, Leah Jones, Rosalie Mannebach, Patsy Jo Postlethwait, Aleta Vogt, Lois Welch, Karen Calkins, Janet Dexter, Grace Schmied, Mary Dold, Cecelia Gwinup, Dolly Nickell, Shirley Binder, Sallylou Coleman, Jan Langfitt, Pat Plett, Mary Stackey, Connie Swartz, Lisa Campbell, Sharon Gates, Aurelia Lobban Beck, Kristie Patton, and Jacquelyn Proffitt.

December Activities

No-Bus Bus Trip — November 30 & December 1

Let's go shopping! Pick up passports on Friday at Prairie Quilts, Needle Nook, or Sewing Center. Meet for breakfast at Riverside Cup of Tea (\$10.50). Shop 'til you drop, then bring your stamped passport to the December meeting for a prize drawing.

Becky Wondra 722-0939

General Meeting — December 4

1:30 and 7, Extension Center

We're having a Christmas Party! We'll have a gift exchange, eat yummy food and play a sewing game. What do you need to do? Three things (all optional, of course!):

1. Bring a homemade pot-holder for the gift exchange. Wrap it, making sure your name is inside so the recipient knows you made it.
2. Bring a snack to share.
3. Contribute to La Familia. We'll be collecting sewing notions that are new or in good shape. Or, if you'd rather, we'll also be collecting money to pay to refurbish a used sewing machine for the center.

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Hutchinson Neighborhood Group — December 6

6 pm, home of Jackie Proffitt, 905 Old Farm Estates

DECEMBER 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13 Derby NG	14	15
16	17	18 East Side NG West Side NG	19	20	21	22
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Drive

We will have our annual Christmas Potluck Dinner. The group will have a gift exchange of hand-made purses.

Marion Cathcart 620-669-1265

Derby Neighborhood Group — December 13

7 pm. Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 S Woodlawn, Room 11E

We will have our Christmas Covered Dish starting at 6 p.m. We encourage each member to bring an idea (with printouts if possible) for an easy gift. We do not exchange gifts. Each member is to bring a favorite covered dish. Hot tea and coffee will be provided.

Lyla Flippo 747-2660

East Side Neighborhood Group — December 18

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics.

This meeting will be informal — bring a treat and recipes to share.

Anne St. Clair 684-5989

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JANUARY 2008

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December Activities, continued

West Side Neighborhood Group — December 18

9 to 4. Extension Center, Bison Room.
We'll be having a Christmas party and doing some last-minute holiday sewing. Bring your projects and a little holiday cheer!
Denise Dias 722-7721 x116

January Activities

No General Meeting in January

Hutchinson Neighborhood Group — January 3

7 pm, Delos V. Smith Senior Center, 101 W. 1st

The program will be "Making Bound Buttonholes" by Marion Cathcart.

Marion Cathcart, 620-669-1265

Retreat — January 4 & 5

Friday 9-9, Saturday 8-4. Extension Center

Work on your own projects.
Becky Wondra 722-0939

East Side Neighborhood Group — January 15

7 pm. Needle Nook Fabrics.

We will be deciding on the topic at the December meeting. Check the website for the meeting topic.

Anne St. Clair 684-5989

West Side Neighborhood Group — January 15

9 to 4. Extension Center, Bison Room.

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Denise Dias 722-7721 x116

Derby Neighborhood Group — January 24

7 pm. Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 S Woodlawn, Room 11E

Karen Calkins will talk about "Stitching Greeting Cards"
Lyla Flippo 747-2660



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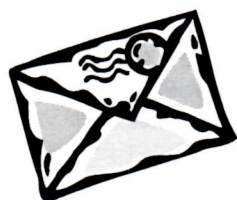
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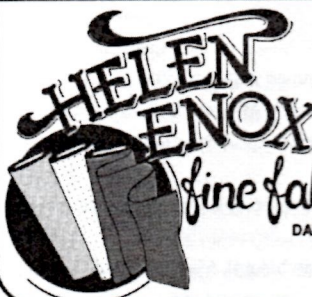
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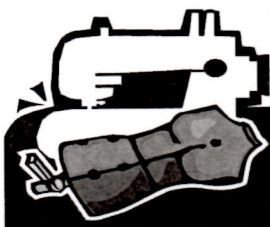
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Bra Workshop!

The bra workshop with Anne St. Clair and Deb Romero rocked! Everyone finished a bra, and we had a lot of fun.



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